

Resolution to authorize the Board of Franklin County Commissioners to accept Resolutions/Ordinances reaffirming the participation of Eligible Communities in the County's Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) Entitlement Programs through March 31, 2012.
(ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Board of Franklin County Commissioners intends to carry out its Community and Economic Development Program in a timely manner, and;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has notified the Franklin County Commissioners that the county is eligible to qualify as an 'Urban County' for Community Development Block Grant entitlement funds for the next three Federal Fiscal years 2009, 2010 and 2011 (provided that such funds are approved and appropriated by Congress);

WHEREAS, the executed Cooperation Agreements allow the county to undertake or assist in the undertaking of essential community renewal, housing, public infrastructure and other public improvements; and,

WHEREAS, the commissioners and participating communities join together in both the CDBG and HOME Investment Partnerships Programs; and the parties further agree to work jointly towards carrying out the policies, goals and objectives of the county's approved Consolidated Plan during the course of this agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the submission of the executed Cooperation Agreements between the county commissioners and the participating cities and villages is necessary in order for Franklin County to continue to receive and allocate HUD entitlement funds; and,

WHEREAS, all required resolutions/ordinances reaffirming continued participation and authorizing the extension of Cooperation Agreements upon their expiration, March 31, 2012 including those communities with "split populations with the Board of Franklin County Commissioners are attached hereto, and made apart hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners Franklin County, Ohio:

1. That the Economic Development and Planning Department has notified the Cities, Villages and Townships of the procedures to follow in the execution of the resolution/ordinance reaffirming their continued participation in the Urban County Program and authorization of the extension of the Cooperation Agreements upon their expiration on March 31, 2009.
2. That the Economic Development & Planning Department will incorporate, as an addendum to the executed extended Cooperation Agreements, any additional language required by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and so notify all participating communities and the Board.
3. That the Franklin County Commissioners are authorized to accept all submitted resolutions/ordinances reaffirming continued participation in the Urban County Program and authorization of the extension of the Cooperation Agreements upon their expiration March 31, 2009 from the participating Cities, Villages and Townships; and further hereby authorize the Economic & Planning Department staff to submit the executed documents to U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development.

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